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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: M.P. Boutillette et al.

Attorney Docket No.: BSME120587

Application No.: 10/675,223

Art Unit: 3736 / Confirmation No.: 9880

Filed: September 30, 2003

Examiner: H.Q. Nguyen

Title: SIDE LOADING WIRE TORQUING DEVICE

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Seattle, Washington 98101

November 8, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application, in which prosecution is closed.

X 1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows:

 a. Please consider the Amendment/Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 filed on _____.

X b. An Amendment/Response is enclosed herewith. The claims were previously submitted as a proposal on October 26, 2006.

X 2. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below.

X a. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed After Any Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee	-	=	x	=	790
Total Claims	20	-	20	x 50	= 0
Independent Claims	5	-	5	x 200	= 0
TOTAL					\$790

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X 3. Check No. 172952 in the amount of \$790.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.

X 4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

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